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Sir:

Further to the Rule 53(d) CPA filed November 14, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims ~~3, 6, 9~~ and 11 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please replace claims 2, 7 and 10 as follows:

2. (Twice Amended) An optical filter that is provided at an optical path between a photoelectric converter, which converts a subject image formed at a light-receiving surface thereof to an electrical signal, and an optical system which forms the subject image with a light flux from the subject at said photoelectric converter, to filter the light flux, comprising:  
a plurality of filter layers that are laminated along a direction of an optical axis of the light flux that passes through the optical filter, the plurality of filter layers including at least a first filter layer and a second filter layer which are laminated with each other; and

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